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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

**Malpass et al.**

Serial No.: 09/717,553

Examiner: Loney, D.

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Art Unit: 1711

Title: SLIP RESISTANT MAT AND PROCESS  
OF MANUFACTURE OF SAME

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

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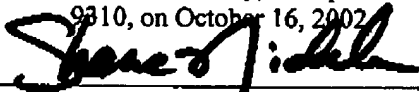
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Sir:

This is a response to an Office Action mailed on May 16, 2002, in the above-identified application. Enclosed is a petition for a two-month extension of time and a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendments. Please enter the following amendments and please also re-examine and reconsider the application in view of these amendments and appended remarks. The attached claim mark-up is captioned "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made."

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, Attention: Examiner Loney, Group Art Unit 1711, Facsimile No. 703-872-

9310, on October 16, 2002



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